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Altona — Shire or City Debate Gagged

The non-party councillors have gagged a council debate on raising the shire's status to a city, but no councillor expressed opposition to the proposal.

The shire secretary, Mr. J. W. Waters, told last Monday night's council meeting there was nothing to stop the shire from becoming a city. And the only costs would be for changing a few signs and the council's letterhead paper.

But led by Cr. W. L. J. Crofts, the newly-empowered non-party councillors carried a motion that the debate be adjourned—without fixing any date or time for it to be brought up again.

When Labor councillor, Cr. J. J. Ginifer, tried to resume the debate later in the night under the item of "Adjourned Motions," the non-party councillors gagged the debate again.

Cr. Ginifer declared angrily: "Democracy has gone out the door under this new administration. . . . I want to get on with the job."

Cr. Crofts replied: "You had 10 years to get on with the job." At the height of the debate, Cr. G. den Dulk, who for a long time had voted with Cr. H. W. Lee before he became shire president, called for councillors to reject a ruling by Cr. Lee. But the move was defeated when no councillor seconded his motion.

The secretary's report on Altona's chances of becoming a city was circulated to councillors but was not made public.

After the meeting, Mr. Waters told the "Star" that it was short and simple.

It said that Altona had attained all the legal qualifications for becoming a city, and in many cases had exceeded them.

Cr. Ginifer moved that the shire secretary take the necessary action to change the status of Altona from a shire to a city.

Cr. Ginifer told the council: "Having read the report I find it quite factual."

"All the prescriptions, Altona does fulfil—and to a great extent it goes beyond the requirements."

"Amenities which we have provided such as parks, gardens, infant welfare centres, dental clinics, should be in a municipality that would desire to become a city."

"The only financial expenditure caused by such a move would be on stationery and some of the signs in the municipality."

"I have found that there will be no costs or disadvantages as far as the Country Roads Board or the Road Assistance Funds are concerned."

"We would become in the same category as the cities of Sunshine and Keilor which both have large perimeter development, even much more than us," Cr. Ginifer said.

Cr. Crofts rose and said: "I move an amendment, that this matter be adjourned."

Cr. Ginifer: "That gags the debate. Adjourn to what time?"

Cr. Crofts: "Because I feel that there are some inaccuracies in the report."

Cr. Lee: "We can only discuss time, not inaccuracies." He then spoke hurriedly with Mr. Waters, and continued: "Cr. Crofts, what you are saying is that you want to adjourn indefinitely which is in direct opposition to the motion."

Cr. Crofts: "I refer to Page 9 of the council by-laws which says that a motion can be 'That this matter be adjourned.'"

"If it is adjourned, it is adjourned until the matter is brought up again."

Cr. Lee: "In effect it is opposing the motion—completely negative to the spirit of the motion."

Cr. Crofts walked to the president's chair and showed him the by-law.

Cr. Lee then said: "It seems that it can be adjourned indefinitely."

Cr. Ginifer: "Then we can't debate the adjournment."

Cr. Lee: "I uphold that. Is there a seconder?"

item is adjourned motions." (Laughter.)

The council then went into a long debate on whether it should send the president on a delegation organised by Keilor City Council to press for a teachers' training college in the Western Suburbs.

When this had finished, Cr. Ginifer raised the city issue again.

His motion to resume the debate was seconded by Cr. den Dulk.

The vote went 5-3 against the resumption.

Cr. den Dulk called for a division. Crs. Ginifer, Bond, den Dulk and Lee voted for the debate to be resumed, and Crs. Weaver, Lynch, Grant, Crofts and Burns voted against it.

Cr. Ginifer: "That's the most effective way to gag a debate."

"How can I get this back on the agenda so that we can hold an open, public debate—so we can say there are some councillors who do not want this municipality declared a city?"

Cr. Crofts, interjecting angrily: "Which councillors have said they do not want this municipality to become a city? Who said that? They did not say such a thing."

Cr. Ginifer: "Can this question be gagged again?"

Cr. Lee: "Yes."

Cr. Ginifer: "Then democracy has gone out the door under this new administration."

Cr. Lee said the gag move "could go on forever."

Cr. Bond: "Yes, it could go on forever."

Cr. Ginifer: "I just want to get on with the job."

Cr. Crofts: "You had 10 years to get on with the job."

Cr. den Dulk called for a clarification on the rules from the president, claiming that Cr. Lee had actually ruled not on a motion as specified in the by-laws, but on an amendment.

Cr. Lee talked privately with the shire secretary.

Cr. Lee then told the council: "A resolution was moved to accept the report, and Cr. Crofts moved an amendment. After talking with council officers, I believe, as far as I am concerned, Cr. Crofts' amendment was not an amendment as such, but a separate motion."

Cr. den Dulk: "Ask the shire secretary again."

Cr. Lee again conferred with Mr. Waters.

Cr. Lee then told the council: "Cr. Crofts, in his remarks, did mention the word 'amendment' while technically he should have

Shire or City

—Cr. CROFTS' VIEWS

At an interview with Cr. W. L. J. Crofts following Monday night's council meeting he said at no time after moving adjournment of the proposal to change the status of Altona from a shire to a city was he permitted to state his reasons for the adjournment. He pointed out that if his motion had been to note this item on the agenda the proposal would have been "killed" and this was not his desire.

By moving the adjournment the matter can be raised at any time. He said it is his intention that it will be raised but only after full and careful consideration is given to its import.

Cr. Crofts believes ratepayers' views should be heard on this matter.

And he stressed that no councillor expressed opposition to changing to a city.

His basis for moving the adjournment was to give further consideration to the advantages and disadvantages which were not elaborated in the shire secretary's report, said Cr. Crofts.

Other aspects he felt should

be more fully investigated.

He said he is of the opinion that council must give serious consideration to the proposal as any move in this direction must involve expenditure of funds.

The Finance Committee has previously decided there will be no expenditure of monies on anything not in the estimates for the current year. So far this policy has been adhered to.

Cr. Crofts visualises that if the Minister agrees to a change of status to a city that a celebration would be called for. This has been the case in other municipalities when a change has taken place.

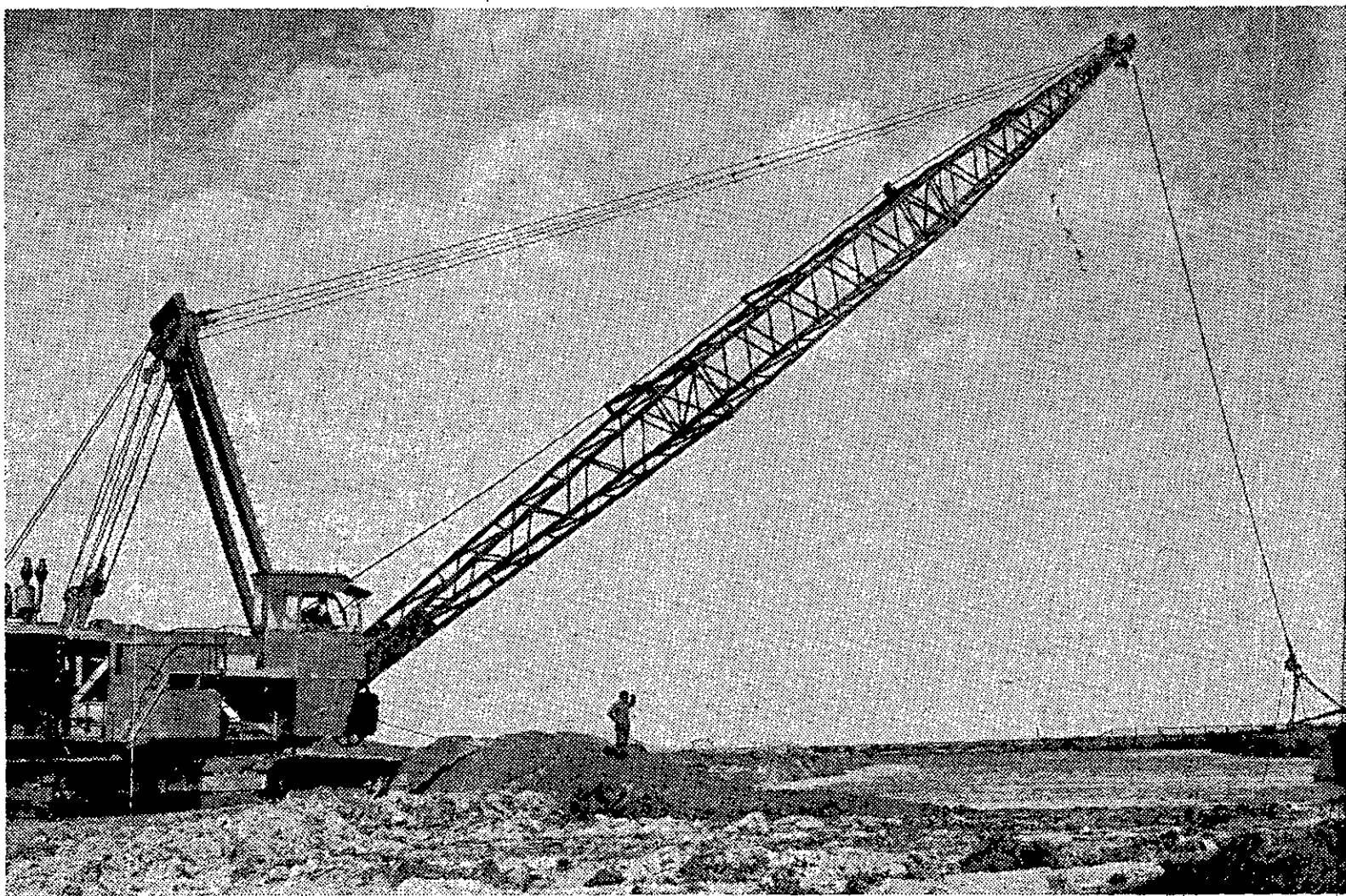
He considers it right and proper to have a celebration.

But he said he is bearing in mind the council's policy and the knowledge that council revenue at the end of September, 1966, had a deficit of \$115,000, that at September, 1967, by careful pruning of council expenditure this had been reduced to a deficit of \$89,000 and that council policy for this year is to further reduce this deficit to \$50,000.

It is Cr. Crofts' opinion that the council should not without very close scrutiny become involved in what could be a further increase in expenditure not allowed for in the estimates.

Furthermore, as revaluation is taking place this year and it being his earnest wish that the rates should not rise again, Cr. Crofts feels the closest curb should be kept on all expenditure.

EARTH MOVING EQUIPMENT MOVES INTO RESERVE



Work has commenced on the wide drain which will provide an outlet to the sea for the swampy lands in the Altona West area, as well as drainage for Laverton East and the Petrochemical Complex. A large drag line machine with a boom which swings 140 feet in the air (pictured above) has commenced dredging the channel from the beach west of the Explosives Reserve Pier. With each scoop the machine lifts five cubic yards of soil—one bucket every 45-50 seconds. Where the channel will cross Queen-st., just west of Koorringal Golf Course, a new road bridge will be constructed. The 300 feet wide channel will be 6900 feet long and have a depth of 4.5 feet. Levy banks either side will rise to three feet. Estimated to cost \$200,000, the project is expected to be completed within 3-4 months.—Photo by Barry Sutton—397-6017.

EDITORIAL

ALTONA A CITY?

Altona is a city in all but name.

A decision as to an official change from shire to city has been postponed by the Altona Council.

They had before them a report from the shire secretary showing, inter alia, that Altona has all the necessary qualifications of a city, and that promotion to this stature would be a matter of procedure.

A motion to this effect was overruled by an amendment that the matter be adjourned.

As on a motion of adjournment no discussion is possible, the reason for the majority decision could not be given.

However, it is now clear that the adjournment does not necessarily signify opposition, but a time for consideration and even delay.

Cr. Crofts' later statement certainly indicates that whatever the merits of the proposal, there are good reasons which make this not an opportune time for a change.

Further, we owe a debt to the pioneers and builders of Altona.

The shire they made should not be lightly relegated. Due weight must be given to all aspects and then only, a decision made that will reflect not only present wishes but be in agreement if at all possible with the ideals of the past.

Large Influx of New Teachers at Altona East

Eleven new teachers, including a new infant mistress and deputy head master, commenced at the opening of the school year, the first year after the school has been raised to "special" status.

New teachers are: Mr. M. Edmonds (deputy head master), Miss M. Grieve (infant mistress), Mr. J. McConville, Mr. D. L. Finn, Miss B. Wilson, Miss J. Wright, Mrs. L. Korb, Mrs. M. Parker, Miss I. Liedke, Mrs. M. Arends and Mrs. Fulton.

Mr. Edmond's appointment now brings the total number of teachers coming daily from Geelong to three.

Two teachers have left the school after several years of devoted service. They are Mr. J. Fitzgerald, who has gone to Parkmore State School, and Mrs. West, to Glen Devon.

GOOD START TO YEAR'S SPORT

Each school in the Williams-town-Altona district is fielding two teams in both cricket and softball, for the first time this year. The first round of matches saw Altona East victorious in three of the four matches against Williamstown.

CRICKET

First XI: Altona East 2/56.

lost to Williamstown 4/58.
Second XI: Altona East 3/35, d. Williamstown 2/20.

SOFTBALL

First IX: Altona East 57, d. Williamstown 2.
Second IX: Altona East 32, d. Williamstown 20.

Outstanding players in the First XI were Kevin Brophy (captain) and Joe Herman (vice-captain).

In the softball Firsts outstanding were Debra Baxter and Pina Santoro.

Coaches, Mr. J. McConville for softball and Mr. J. Ragas for cricket, are confident of a very successful year's competition.

NEW CLASSROOMS

The five additional classrooms commenced in November last year will be finished and ready for use early in March.

These five rooms will greatly alleviate over-crowding and benefit all teachers and 770 pupils at present enrolled.

SCHOOL FEES NECESSARY UNDER EDUCATION SYSTEM

Under the Victorian education system schools cannot operate without charging fees. Mr. G. L. Shee, principal of Altona High School, told members at the February meeting of the School Parents and Citizens' Association.

The Department of Education pays for tuition and buildings but parents pay for books and anything else used in the schools.

Mr. Shee has made a comparison of costs at schools on the Eastern (Boronia) and the Western (Altona) fringes of the metropolitan area and with Greythorne—the Balywn school from which Mr. Shee transferred to Altona.

Costs considered were for books, subject fees and composite fees.

Boronia charged the most, Greythorne the least and Altona was between the two.

Mr. Shee pointed out that Greythorne raised a tremendous amount of money at the annual fete with the result more money is available from this source for books, etc.

Instead of each student purchasing certain books, subject fees are charged from which a smaller number of books are bought to be shared among the students. This means a considerable saving to parents.

The composite fee is used for a number of school requisites—reference library, subject libraries, general library, sporting equipment, teaching aids, pupils telephone calls, paper towelling, first-aid equipment and any other items shared by pupils but not supplied by the Department.

The fee is scaled down if two or more of one family attend the Altona High School.

The fee consists of the composite fee proper and the contribution to the Advisory Council. The latter pays for ground improvements and amenities for the pupils.

Those parents in financial difficulties, but who nevertheless have offered to pay by instalments, must earn the school's sincere praise.

Publicly commended is the father who overpaid the composite fee and generously declined to take a refund.

These have been typical responses by Altona parents.

This year at Altona High 35 students are studying for matriculation and 66 at the Leaving level.

Mr. Shee said the matriculation students have a wide choice of subjects in the humanities and sciences—wider than in most other schools at the start of matriculation.

He believes it will not be long before the matriculation form grows to 75 students.

The number of children in Australia staying at school after 15 and going on to matriculation level is greatest in the State of Victoria, commented Mr. Shee.



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MINISTER—Rev. John C. Adamthwaite, 109 Queen Street, Altona. Telephone: 398-1765.

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Sunday.

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10.30 a.m.: Divine Worship

Session Clerk: Mr. F. S. Thorpe, 30 Belmar Ave., 3018.

9 Paringa Road, Altona North.

11 a.m.: Worship Service League of Young Worshipers share in the Worship from 11 to 11.30 a.m.

MINISTER—Mr. W. A'Dram, The Manse, 11 Paringa Road, Altona North. Telephone 314-5179.

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Sunday.

8.30 a.m.: Prayer Meeting.
9.30 a.m.: Sunday School—Combined Sunday School at the Queen Street Hall (Primary and Junior).

Sunday.

11 a.m.: Holiness Meeting. Queen Street Hall.
7 p.m.: Salvation Meeting. Queen Street Hall.

Wednesday.

3.30 p.m.: Children's Club (Civic Parade Hall).

Thursday.

2 p.m.: Women's Home League. Cadet Neville W. Tyson, Telephone 398 1750

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7 p.m.: Evening Service.

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Holy Days: 7, 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

First Fridays: 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Saturdays: 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Confessions.

Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.

Eve of First Fridays: 7 p.m.

First Friday (Maltese): 4 and 5.30 p.m.

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St. Mary's Presbytery, Railway Street, Altona. Telephone 65-8964.

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Queen of Peace

Laverton.

Masses.

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Holy Days: 8 a.m. and 6.15 p.m.

First Fridays: 6.15 p.m.

Week Days: Thursdays, 11 a.m. Saturdays, 8 a.m.

Confessions.

Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.

Eve of First Fridays: 7 p.m.

Saturdays: 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

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7 p.m.: Evensong.

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Altona Public Library Continues to Progress

The main public library continues to progress satisfactorily but growth of the branch library is slow, said Mr. Laurie James, former Altona librarian in his annual report to council. Mr. James reported—

During the past year we have seen the growth of our library following a satisfactory course, both in respect to our book collection, and use of the library by the residents of our municipality.

Enrolments continue to increase steadily with the influx of new arrivals as residents of Altona and also by the increased number of subscriptions.

Borrowing at the branch library has been satisfactory, but growth of this library tends to still be slow, probably due to its location in an area not conducive to the best library development.

The general library is now established with an excellent basic collection of books covering a wide range of subjects. The reference library, that is, the collection of such material as encyclopaedias, year books, dictionaries, directories, etc., is now of a superior order. The reference library is not for loan, but is always kept on library premises to be referred to when particular information is required.

The branch library also has a small reference collection of its own, but the main reference library will always be situated at the central library, as its duplication would not be warranted in branch libraries. The reason for this is that generally speaking borrowers prefer material that they can take from the library and pursue their interests at home. It is because of this preference that we have been particularly concerned about maintaining strong collections in technical and scientific subjects.

Heavy demands are placed on the library also for materials by students, whose interests have been stimulated by the subjects taught to them at school.

This year has shown an important development of the inter-library loans. When a reader reserves material not available in our own library, we endeavour to obtain this book from—

(a) The order file is checked to see whether this book has been ordered, in which case the processing is expedited;

(b) Purchase made for the library collection, if the book is in print and suitable for this library's requirements;

(c) Another Victorian library, either municipal or State;

(d) The National Library or other Australian libraries.

Frequently material is requested that is from periodical literature rather than books, in which case, the particular library holding the information often supplies photo-copy material rather than the periodical itself. Photo-copy has provided an important development in library services.

The future development of our library depends not only on the work and vision of a sedulous librarian and library staff, but also on continued council support and trust, and borrower participation. All of these are equally important; and it is because of the presence of all three factors to this date, that this library has been an outstanding achievement. It is to be hoped that as the first and last of these three factors are undeniable, that the second factor, that is, council co-operation, council support and trust, particularly trust, will continue, as a withdrawal of council support could prove disastrous to the prestige, not only of the Altona Public Library Service, but to the prestige of this whole community.

I strongly feel that despite the outstanding growth of this municipal service, that there are still many, even among the administrators of the shire themselves, who still do not understand the full function of a public library, and who imagine that it is merely a place for borrowing a book or two to while away the hours. The true function of a library service goes far beyond this indeed and its impact upon this community has been of a significance far deeper and wider than is generally realised.

Although school groups have been visiting the library, far greater co-operation can be

achieved than has yet been envisaged. Developments of service in the audio and visual areas should be considered, in addition to the establishment of an interim service at the original site of the branch library.

I do not advocate the building of unnecessarily expensive buildings, but the Altona North area should have an outlet for the library service.

Concentration of most materials should be kept in the central library, as in these days most people are mobile and therefore a strong central collection, covering all aspects of library services is far better than the development of expensive branch library buildings.

Where branches are contemplated, I consider these services should be situated in vacant shops or some similar building until such time as use of the branch shows that a bigger area is warranted.

Visitors have continued to call regularly at the library and have always expressed appreciation of the building and its library.

To those municipal officers who have co-operated and been helpful to the library, I express my sincere thanks.

LAURENCE R. JAMES,
Librarian.

C'wealth Bank's \$100,000 Loan

The Altona Shire President (Cr. H. W. Lee) announced today that the shire had been given a \$100,000 loan by the Commonwealth Savings Bank.

The money would be used to complete the hockey pavilion on Grant Reserve and for drainage and road construction works in Altona North.

Cr. Lee said: "Local government today is an immense undertaking with growing responsibilities and problems."

"It needs a lot of money to function efficiently and the help of the Commonwealth Savings Bank, which has always been deeply concerned with local progress, is greatly appreciated by my council."

SUPREME COURT EXHIBITION

Mr. C. G. Hillman, of 12 Maidstone-st., Altona, has been awarded the Supreme Court Exhibition as the best student during 1967 in the course for Articled Clerks in the subject of Mercantile Law.

He also gained First Class Honours in Principles of Property and Conveyancing from the University of Melbourne.

UNDER-18's START TRAINING

Altona Under-18 Football Club will commence training on Grant Reserve this Friday, March 1, at 5 p.m.

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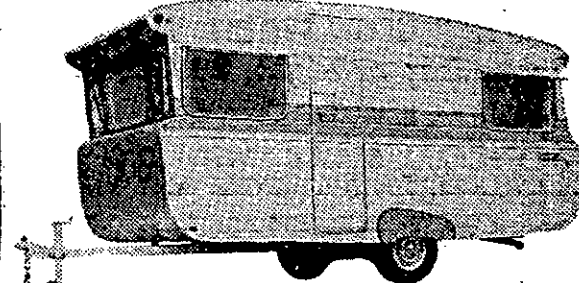
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SOUTH KINGSVILLE Near Scown's Pharmacy, 29 Vernon Street.	Monday, March 4. Tuesday, Wednesday, March 5 and 6.	A to F G to Z
ALTONA EAST Near Shopping Centre Corner, Ross Road and Berkeley Cresc.	Monday, Tuesday, March 4 and 5.	A to Z
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Werribee Football Officials Banned

A sequel to disturbances at matches between Altona and Werribee junior football teams last year has been the banning for five years of the Werribee Junior Football Club secretary, Mr. Geoff O'Brien, and three fellow officials.

The ban imposed by the Western Suburban Football League, is for "improper conduct contrary to the welfare of the League, also contrary to the rules of the League."

The banned officials did not lodge an appeal to the League before the closing day last Tuesday, but they may still do so with the Victorian Football Union until March 5.

Last year's junior matches were marred by a series of incidents and adverse publicity. Relations were not improved by police being requested by the Werribee Club to attend the Altona-Werribee game in May.

After play one of the policemen said he did not know why there had been so much adverse publicity as it was not deserved, and he had no complaints about the match.

Later in the year Werribee refused to play in the grand final and Altona had the hollow victory of winning the flag by a walkover.

The Werribee Club was fined \$100 by the League for refusing

to play. Mr. C. K. Hodgson, administrator of the League, gave a report to the executive of the League on February 9.

Part of the report stated that a circular issued by the Werribee Junior Football Club "revealed numerous misleading statements and some imprudent suggestions with the view to discarding 89 registered players of the club."

DATES FOR STREET STALLS

Forthcoming dates for street stalls are as follows—

Brooklyn Presbyterian Church Ladies Guild: Millers-rd., May 25 and November 23;

Altona North Technical School Mothers' Club: Borracock-sq., March 16;

St. Eanswythe's Church of England: Pier-st., April 6.

"What to Buy Next For The Camera"

"What to buy next for the camera," was the subtitle of the capsule course at last Friday's meeting. It is often surprising to a complete beginner just how many accessories can be obtained, and also a problem to choose the right part for a particular field.

Filters, telephoto lens, close-up rings, lens hoods and tripods are just a few. At a member's suggestion a Kodak lecture explaining the use of filters will be obtained to allow some light to be thrown on the subject.

Well, the Paterson team have come up trumps again, as the following results of the monthly competition will show.

Beginners'

Black & White—

1st: A. Paterson.
2nd: K. Paterson.

Beginners'

Colour—

1st: A. Paterson.
2nd: K. Gunn.

Highly recommended: R. Hambling; C. Blunt.

Advanced—

1st: J. Merrills.
2nd: K. Hart.

Advanced —

1st: K. Hart.
2nd: K. Hart.

Although competition has been very strong among the members, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson have consistently submitted very good work which the judges have recognised. At this rate they will soon be promoted to the advanced class.

Usually the club doesn't meet on the first Friday in the month, but this week will be an exception.

Friday, March 1, will be a night photography expedition into the city. It is requested that all members interested gather at the clubroom ready for a 7-15 p.m. departure.

Commonwealth Loan Result

The Treasurer Mr. William McMahon announced this week that subscriptions totalling \$125 m. were received to the Commonwealth cash loan which closed on February 13.

This compares with subscription of \$129m. and \$147m. to the first two loans for the financial year.

Mr. McMahon said that an interesting feature of the loan was that approximately 40 p.c. of the subscriptions were to short term securities with a term of three years, whereas less than 10% of the subscriptions to the July and October, 1967, loans had been in short term securities.

Results so far available for the conversion offer made to holders of \$241m. of 4.75 p.c. and 5p.c. securities which matured on February 15, show that approximately \$138m. have been converted.

Altona Nth. Primary School News.

One thousand students are expected to be attending Altona North Primary by 1970 and new rooms will have to be added. At present there are 850 students housed in 18 classrooms with one portable and three staff rooms in use. Two portable classrooms are expected in the near future.

New teachers this year are Mr. P. Taylor from Hunter, Miss Paula Casey (Stawell), Miss Ruth Collett (Gippsland), Miss Marg Stanley and Miss Wendy Bailey (Teachers' College), Miss Nola Kay (Laverton North), Miss Sandra Korf (re-living).

The staff have settled in well and accepted the challenge of overcrowding and lack of accommodation. Special mention must be given to Mr. Steve Clement, the chairman of the school committee who worked tirelessly on a variety of tasks during the first school week.

Scholarship winners awarded at the end of the 1967 school year were—

Michael Carroll, Sharon Knox, Diane Thomas, Eero Keranen, Ray Buckland, Janice Pook, Peter McGuickin, Janet Downes, George Trifunovic and Nancy Harvey.

DUX MEDALLION: Michael Carroll.

SPORTS AWARDS: Michael Carroll and Jenny Davidson. The scholarships were presented by Mr. K. M. Smyth (Carbon Black), Mr. W. Hooper (PRA), Mr. K. Gunn (Union Carbide), Mrs. E. Cox and Mrs. N. Beran (Mothers' Club) and members of the School Committee, Mr. S. Clement and Mr. M. Toussaint donated and presented the Sports Awards.

Mr. Frank Mallett presented the Dux Medallion on behalf of the State Savings Bank.

Cr. J. J. Giffner, MLA, presented the Citizenship Award to Richard Kinkel on behalf of the Altona Shire Council.

Grade 5, Neville Box; Grade 4, Elizabeth Izidorczyk; Grade 3, Michael Quigley; Grade 2, Lilian Jankow and Coral Bentley (equal first), Grade 1, Susan Jachno.

Seaholme Primary School News

There are a number of new teachers this year at Seaholme. They are—

Mrs. J. Briggs—Infant Mistress, Grade 2 (formerly Altona North), Miss C. Kelly—Grade 4A, (Yarrowonga), Miss J. Murray—Grade 1 (Tootgarook), Mrs. A. Uschakov—Grade 2, (Melb. Teachers' College), Miss A. Turnbull—Grade 1 (Melb. Teachers' College), and Mr. C. Glen—Grade 6 (Moonee Ponds).

Mr. D. Mannering has returned after 12 months leave during which he toured Europe and Asia.

Two of last year's teachers, Mr. B. Antonoff and Mrs. D. Broderick, have transferred to Altona West.

News Around Town

Millers-rd. Bridge:

Footings for the northern abutment have been completed. A greater amount of rock excavation than anticipated was involved.

Two of the three cylinders required for the third pier south of the northern abutment were sunk to a satisfactory level and concreted. Trouble was experienced with excessive seepage water in sinking the cylinders below the level anticipated.

The three cylinders required for the fourth pier south of the northern abutment were sunk and concreted.

Driving of pile sets for the fifth pier south of the northern abutment was completed.

Briefly, the contractor is making very good progress. The very low water level in Kororoit Creek is assisting operations but poor rock foundations have resulted in extra work being required.

Underground Drain:

The laying of an underground drain along the south side of Lindwood-ave. between Fenfield-st. and Medford-st. was completed.

The laying of a drain along the east side of Cowra-st. is nearing completion.

Purnell-st., Robin-st., Emu-ave., Lark-st., Kookaburra-st., Somers-pde., Cobham-st., Finch-st. and Bell-ave.—Private Street Scheme No. 94:

Kerbing for traffic islands has been constructed at the intersections of Somers-pde. and Dove-ave., Dove-ave. and Robin-st. and Dove-ave. and Lark-st.

Final surfacing with bituminous concrete is nearing completion.

Railway-st. South—Reconstruction between Sargood-st. and Mc-Bain-st.:

Final surfacing with bituminous concrete has been completed.

Millers-rd.—Divided Roadways: Excavation of the road bed and spreading of metal for the base course in the section of Millers-rd. south of Kororoit Creek-rd. and in Kororoit Creek-rd. adjacent to PRA administration block, is nearing completion.

Spreading of cement stabilised fine crushed rock is about to be commenced.

The traffic signal at the south-west corner of the intersection was damaged as a result of a car accident.

First, Second, Third and Fourth-aves., south of Mason-st., Hendren-ave. and Hobbs-st., east of Fifth-ave., Ronald-ave. and Windsor-cres., north of McIntosh-rd.—Private Street Scheme No. 95:

Final surfacing with bituminous concrete has been completed.

Levelling of nature strips is about to be undertaken.

Mason-st.—Divided Roadways between Mills-st. and Millers-rd.:

Spreading of the first layer of bituminous concrete has been completed.

Final surfacing will be undertaken when the SEC moves the pole at the junction of Mason-st. and Millers-rd.

The school crossing across Mason-st. near Fifth-ave. has been extended across the new pavement.

Freemans-rd.:

Stabilising of the intermediate course, with bitumen has been completed in the section of Freemans-rd. south of the proposed Lower Yarra Crossing Freeway.

The section of Freemans-rd. north of the proposed freeway has been excavated and the fine crushed rock base course was stabilised with cement.

Construction of kerb and channelling in this section is about to be undertaken.

Resurfacing:

Uneven sections of kerb and channelling have been made good in Estelle-crt. and Neale-crt.; resurfacing of the pavement in Estelle-crt. was completed and is about to be undertaken in Neale-crt.

Uneven sections of kerb and channelling and weak sections of pavement were made good in Primula-ave., Kyle-rd., Clematis ave., and Marigold-ave. in preparation for the surfacing work.

Hockey Pavilion on Grant Reserve:

Internal plumbing fixtures are being installed and carpentry work is in progress.

External lighting is expected to be available by the end of the month.

The estimated cost of providing window guards on window facing each and south is \$220. Guards have been provided on windows facing west.

CONCERN OVER BEACH SAFETY

Ways are being sought to save swimmers from their own follies—using rubber balls, rafts, and floats, etc., on the water on days when the wind is blowing off-shore.

In Parliament the member for Deer Park (Cr. J. J. Giffner) asked the Minister of Lands (Sir William McDonald) if he would consider introducing legislation to control the use of these articles on beaches on days when a strong off-shore wind is blowing.

The Minister replied that the matter is not within the jurisdiction of his Department. However, he understood that there is provision in the Local Government Act for municipalities to make by-laws in respect of activities in waters used as public bathing places. He suggested that the honorable member address an inquiry to the Minister for Local Government.

Old Altona Train Carriages to Remain

It is not economically feasible to replace old Newport-Altona line carriages during the day with some of the carriages of trains parked on adjacent shunt lines at off-peak times, said the Minister of Transport (Mr. Wilcox) in State Parliament last week.

Mr. W. L. Floyd, member for Williamstown, suggested carriages of parked trains be used on some of the 29 daily return Altona-Newport trips, until such time as they are again required for peak-line duties on other lines.

Mr. Wilcox explained that during off-peak hours two carriages provide ample accommodation for the limited number of passengers travelling between Altona and Newport.

The trains standing off during the day in the Newport area can only be operated as four or seven carriage trains, and their use to run the Newport-Altona trip in off-peak hours is not economically justified.

Mr. Wilcox also said the Railways Department has no immediate plans for replacing the

"The activities of the mobile gang are supervised, but no direct 'on the spot' supervision is given to the work performed by the local staff."

"However, all carriages, irrespective of who cleans them, are inspected by the officer-in-charge at the various suburban terminals before the carriages are placed in service."



The Social Whirl

If you have any news of a birthday, engagement, wedding, or social event, it can be included in these pages. Phone 65-8277—there is no charge.

THEORY CLASSES AT Elderly Citizens Club

MUSIC SOCIETY

The Altona Music Society wishes to announce that theory classes and guitar classes have re-commenced and are held each Tuesday evening from 6-30 till 8 p.m. in the Homestead, Queen-st., Altona (opposite the library).

An accordion band also has been started and classes are open 6-30 till 8 p.m. each Friday evening. All past and present pupils are cordially welcome.

The AMS senior choir meets each Wednesday evening, 6-30 till 8 p.m. in the Homestead. New voices would be welcome. Anyone interested in the above classes are urged to come along and join.

The Junior Choir meets each Saturday afternoon, 2-30 till 4 p.m. at the Homestead. If the temperature is 90 degrees or over none of the above classes will be held.

A pianist is needed for the senior choir. If anyone is interested in playing would they please ring Mr. Pearce on 398-1809 after 5 p.m. any day, or call at the Homestead on a Wednesday evening.

Seaholme Primary Mothers' Club

The next meeting of the Seaholme Primary School Mothers' Club will be held at the school on Monday, March 4, at 1-30 p.m. All mothers are welcome.

Social News

On Friday, March 1, there will be an evening of cards and bowls at the Altona Elderly Citizens clubrooms, starting at 8 p.m.

Donation is 35c and there will be a door prize and supper is provided.

On Monday, March 4, there will be a social committee meeting at the clubrooms, at 1-30 p.m.

There will be a dance at the clubrooms at 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 16. Donation is 30c and supper is provided. Monte Carlo and door prize.

Altona West School Mothers' Club

The annual meeting of the Altona West Mothers' Club will be held on Thursday, March 7, at 8 p.m.

Mothers are asked to bring either an apron or a tea-towel for the Mothers' Day Stall.

Fillner-Smith Engagement

Announced with pleasure is the engagement of Gita Fillner, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Fillner, of Moorlan-st., Travencore, and Barry John, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith, formerly of Blyth-st., Altona.

Altona Spastic Relief Association

The next meeting of the Altona Spastic Relief Association will be held on Wednesday, March 6, at 7-45 p.m. in the Homestead, Queen-st., Altona (opposite the library).

NEW DRAMA FOR ALTONA

For their first production for 1968 the Altona Drama Group have chosen the mystery-thriller "An Inspector Calls," by J. B. Priestly.

This will be the Group's first mystery drama presentation and it is hoped that it will display the versatility of the members when compared with their last production—the very well-received pantomime "Cinderella."

"An Inspector Calls" is provisionally booked for presentation in late April—watch this column for further details.

A small number of tickets are still available for the ADG's Theatre Night to see "Fiddler on the Roof" on March 28. For further information ring 398-1041.

Gym Girls to Hold a Bessamer Display

Altona Presbyterian Girls' Gymnasium will hold a Bessamer Demonstration at Mrs. Graham's home, 7 Lindwood-ave., on Tuesday, March 5, at 10 a.m.

Donation is 20c and a cordial invitation is issued to all ladies.

Ladies Hockey Club Meeting

The first general meeting of the Altona Ladies Hockey Club will be held at the homestead, Queen-st., Altona, at 7 p.m. sharp on Tuesday, March 5. All mothers interested are most welcome to attend.

Guides Local Assoc. Meeting

A meeting of Local Association members of Guides and Brownies will be held at the home of Mrs. Goldie on March 6 at 7-30 p.m. to finalise the Fashion Parade.

Carolyn Jones Leads Laverton Marchers

Thirteen-year-old Carolyn Jones is in her fourth year as leader of the Laverton Gold Eagles Marching team.

Last week it was inadvertently published that Nicolle Devereaux now leader of the Essendon Marionettes, was formerly a leader of the Gold Eagles.

Nicolle was not a Gold Eagles leader, but was a member of the Laverton team when the girls were competing as midgels. This season the Gold Eagles, in their first year of junior competition, have had a number of successes.

Competing at Mordialloc last weekend the team finished second three times—in the awards for best team, aggregate and the championship.

Earlier this month the girls won the junior march past on the big day at Laverton when more than 50 teams competed in various sections.

St. Eanswythe's Ladies Guild

The annual meeting of St. Eanswythe's Ladies Guild will be held in the Vicarage, 7 Bent-st., Altona, on Wednesday, March 6, at 8 p.m.

Ladies are requested to be on time as there is to be the election of office-bearers for 1968.

FASHION PARADE ON MARCH 12

The Local Association of Guides and Brownies are holding a Fashion Parade in the Civic Hall, Altona, on Tuesday, March 12, at 8 p.m., by courtesy of "Eve Gwendoline."

Tickets can be obtained from Guides and Brown Owls at 50c for adults and 25c children.

We earnestly ask all parents to support their Groups.

Altona High School Mothers' Club

The annual meeting of the Altona High School Mothers' Club will be held at the school on Tuesday, March 5, at 1-30 p.m. Mothers are requested to bring a plate. All new mothers will be welcomed.

C.W.A. MEETING MONDAY

A guest speaker from the Red Cross Society will address members of the Altona branch of the Country Women's Association at a general meeting on Monday, March 4, at 1-30 p.m.

March, being Red Cross Month, donations of soap and face washers will be very acceptable.

Members are reminded to come early, bring lunch, cakes and some form of craft work of their own choice.

Any members and friends wishing to attend the annual group picnic at Frankston on Monday, March 25, are asked to hand their names to the secretary at the next meeting.

Visitors will be welcome.

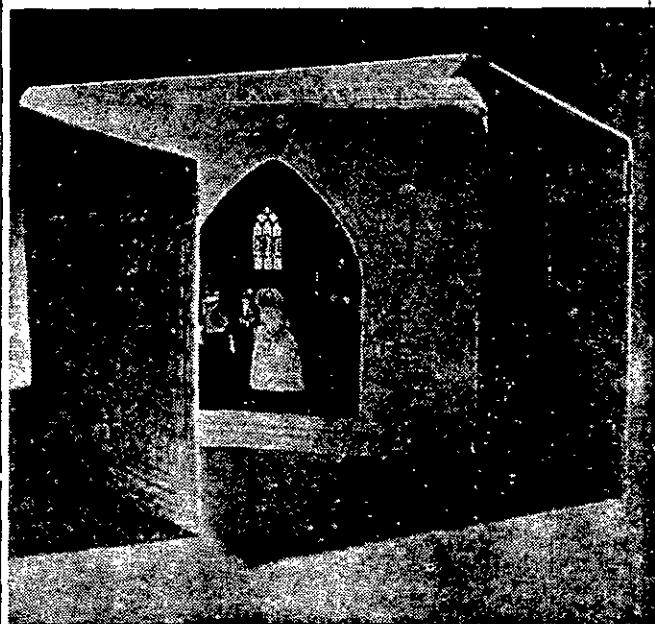
ALTONA PEDAL CLUB RALLY

The Altona Pedal Club is holding its Rally on Sunday, March 3, at Grant Reserve.

All members to collect their bikes at 9 Bracken-ge. and be at the reserve by 10-15 a.m.

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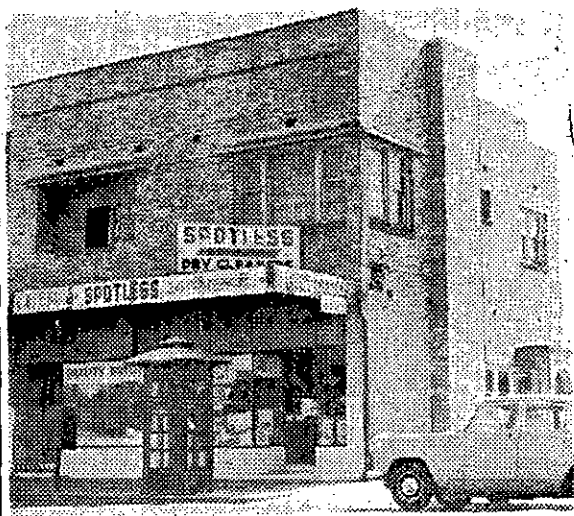
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BOARD CHAIRMAN WARNS ON WATER

The chairman of the Melbourne Board of Works, Mr. Croxford, said today that since the water restrictions were introduced in September public co-operation in saving water had been outstandingly successful.

In fact, up to Monday, February 19, 17,200,000 gallons had been saved but despite the co-operation, high temperatures in recent weeks had caused consumption to rise and between January 1 and February 19 storages had fallen by 5690 million gallons.

"If the present trend continues it may not be possible to avoid further compulsory restrictions," Mr. Croxford said in appealing to consumers to "keep up the good work."

He said that evaporation in hot weather had been a factor contributing to storage losses.

So had the tendency of the "bucket brigade" to increase the number of buckets of water they put on their gardens.

While hot days continued, every drop of water saved helps to avert increased restrictions, Mr. Croxford said.

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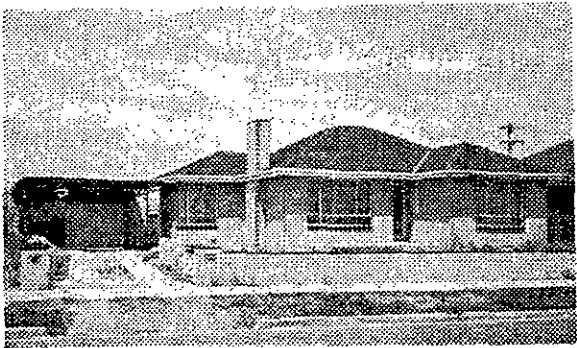
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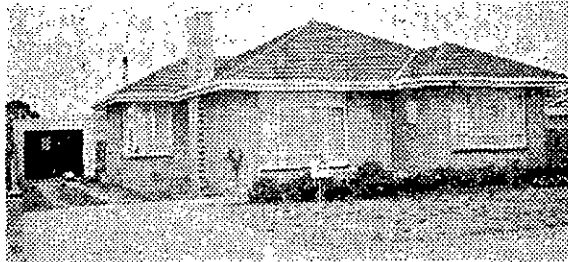
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Further details and finance particulars.**SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 11.30 a.m.****32 MYRTLE GVE., ALTONA****ATTRACTIVE BRICK VENEER HOME**

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CRICKET REPORT

A GRADE TURF

Altona, away to West Newport, won the toss and decided to bat on a good wicket in very trying conditions last Saturday.

Once again the Altona openers failed to give the side a start when both were dismissed before double figures were reached however, John Cooney and Graeme Hosken proceeded to get off top of the bowling until Cooney failed to get over the top of one and was well caught at point. This was the beginning of a slump as the score fell from 2/51 to 9/108, until Jack Dellar and Dick Conradi attacked the bowling for an excellent last wicket stand of 58.

These two batsmen in fact top scored and thus embarrassed some of the higher up the list batsmen.

West Newport began their innings surely with Bill Schutt hitting the ball well soon had 38 on the board. However, within a short space of time Jack Dellar and Bob McLeod held good catches and West Newport were in trouble at 3/38.

Jack Dellar, to top off his good day, held another catch in the last over of the day to dismiss George Irving for 18. West Newport will carry on next Saturday from 4/64.

ALTONA—1st innings:

THOMAS, c. b. Mologousis	2
McLEOD, c. b. Mologousis	5
COONEY, c. b. Magee	15
HOSKEN, b. Magee	29
PAGE, c. b. Magee	2
CRITCHLEY, c. b. Magee	0
DARE, c. b. Mologousis	18
DELLAR, c. b. Schutt	32
CALAZ, run out	15
T. GRAY, lbw, b. Irving	2
CONRADE, not out	33
Sundries	8

TOTAL: 167

BOWLING: S. Magee 4/44, G. Mologousis 3/32, G. Irving 1/9, W. Schutt 1/18.

WEST NEWPORT—1st innings:

SCHUTT, c. b. T. Gray	20
CARMICHAEL, not out	18
SZATKOWSKI, c. b. Dare	0
GIERNATOWSKI, c. b. Dare	0
G. IRVING, c. b. Calaz	18
MAGEE, not out	1
Sundries	8

TOTAL: 4 wickets for 64

C GRADE TURF

ALTONA—1st innings:	
DUCKETT, stpd., b. Couch	40
CHALMERS, lbw, b. Beckett	2
NICHOL, stpd., b. Couch	2
McCUDDEN, c. b. Couch	5
EAGAN, c. b. Couch	14
MYERS, stpd., b. Couch	5
BRUCE, b. Couch	2
FORRESTER, c. b. Couch	24
FORD, c. b. Smart	2
COOK, not out	13
COX, b. Couch	0
Sundries	8

TOTAL: 127

BOWLING: W. Couch 8/43, M. Beckett 1/27, Smart 1/21.

SPOTSWOOD IMPs.—1st inn:

MAHER, b. McCudden	5
YOUNG, c. b. Duckett	13
KNIGHT, lbw, b. Duckett	0
BACON, c. b. Duckett	11
SMART, not out	5
Sundries	1

TOTAL: 4 wickets for 35

BOWLING: R. Duckett 3/12, I. McCudden 1/2.

CHURCH CRICKET SCORES

The first day of the last Senior round and the Junior Sections semi-finals in the Western Suburbs Protestant Churches Cricket Association was played last Saturday in very hot and trying conditions.

In both Junior North semis interesting games are in progress, and results uncertain to predict. In South Section, however, both matches appear to be already decided.

Runs seemed rather plentiful in the Senior Grades, with three scores over 200 and one other over 300.

Top scorers for the day were Eric Duncan (92 n.o.), John Anderson (90), Colin Jackson (86 n.o.), Ken Clements (81), Bill Keenan (81), Laurie Erm (75), Russell Annear (62) and Geoff Manton (53).

Bowlers who tried hard, with results included McQuillan (7/34) Col Cass (6/38), Noel Bunce

(6/49), Rich Luke (6/67).

Biggest highlight in the day's play was the outright win by Newport Baps over Tottenham Baps in 'C' Grade to almost guarantee Newport a place in the final four.

Several eyebrows were raised by other teams in the Grade when Tottenham declared its second innings closed when only nine runs ahead.

Details of the day's play are as follows—

A GRADE

Seddon/Yarraville Congs, making 219 (Duncan 92 n.o., Geoff Manton 53, Cockcroft 24, Luke 6/67) scored well, but may need them all to keep in front of Newport Meths.

St. Andrew's (W'town) could only make 66 (Pedretti 22, Ross 3/25) and have let Tottenham Baps get in front with 5/73 (L. Murray 22, R. Homewood 3/14). This should ensure Tottenham a place in the finals.

Williamstown Congs made only 89, with Hogg 31, Collett 4/31, Bates 3/5, and in reply Barkly-st. Meths are 2/64 (Kennedy 45 n.o.). The Meths should win this well.

Yarraville Baps had a hard day in the field when Kingsville Baps made 6/281 (J. Anderson 90, C. Jackson 86 n.o., Dunn 38, Culbard 18).

B GRADE

North W'town Church of Christ batted all day for 7/164 against St. Stephen's (Nth. W'town). Best were E. Neville 22, Morrison 37 n.o., Elley 22, G. Hayes 19, Bryant 16 n.o., Clark 3/48, Forbes 3/37. These teams share second place, so a close finish may be seen.

Yarraville Pres went home very tired after Paisley-st. Baps made 9/310. Best were K. Clements 81, Erm 75, Austin 49 n.o., Meares 33, Anderson 32, Day 3/43.

Williamstown Meths are 1/37 (Connell 16, Evans 17 n.o.) in their chase after Maidstone Church of Christ 167 (W. Keenan 81, K. Stone 34 n.o., Boseley 20, McQuillan 7/34). The result here could be close.

Christ Church (Newport) have the bye.

C GRADE

In a game dominated by fluctuating fortunes, St. Eanswythe's are in a good position to beat Kingsville Baps.

St. Eanswythe's, winning the toss, elected to bat first. However, due to some catches and some very foolish strokes by some of the batsmen, the Saints were dismissed for only 120, with Dennis Garde (18), coach Alec Merrill (17) and Frank Wynands (27) getting into double figures.

However, the Saints struck back quickly and at stumps the Baps are 6/50, with Jeff Holden (4/18) taking the bowling honors.

St. Eanswythe's—1st innings:

J. MORTON, c. b. Beard	2
I. HASKELL, c. b. Cass	4
D. GARDE, c. b. Cass	18
J. HOLDEN, c. b. Beard	1
A. MERRILL, c. b. Beard	17
P. CARTON, c. b. Beard	9
G. STEPHENSON, c. b. Cass	9
F. WYNANDS, b. Cass	27
N. COURTOT, c. b. Cass	8
P. TYRELL, c. b. Cass	0
T. MORTON, not out	0
Sundries (3b, 1lb, 2lb)	25

TOTAL: 120

BOWLING: C. Cass 6/40, R. Beard 4/36, P. Hardeman 0/19.

Kingsville Baps—1st innings:

K. HARDEMAN, c. b. Tyrell	1
C. CASS, c. b. Holden	23
R. BEARO, b. Holden	1
B. PARKE, c. b. Holden	0
R. BROWN, c. b. Holden	1
W. TRELOAR, c. b. Haskell	8
D. PEACE, not out	2
G. SCOBLE, not out	18
Sundries (1lb, 3nb)	4

TOTAL: 6 wickets for 50

BOWLING: J. Holden 4/18, I. Haskell 1/3, P. Tyrell 1/17, A. Merrill 0/4, G. Stephenson 0/4.

Tottenham Baps, 56 and 5/56 dec. (McNiece 22, White 38, I. Dougal 4/40, G. Dougal 3/24) have lost outright to Newport Baps, 5/103 dec. and 1/12 (Maynard 36, Andrews 25, Weiss 20).

St. Andrew's (F'scray) have the job ahead to catch Ballarat-rd. Meths, who made 163 (R. Annear 62, McGillivray 49, N. Bunce 6/49). Both teams need the win to play in the finals.

All Saints also fielded all day to Seddon/Yarraville Congs, who made 223 (Comben 64, Wheat 38, Manallack 31, Hammond 25 n.o., McInnes 3/61).

JUNIOR NORTH SEMI-FINALS

Kingsville Baps batted all day for 122 (Sfetikidis 23, Peace 29, Henderson 30, Taylor 4/40, Spicer 4/14), but this total may not be enough to defeat Yarraville Baps.

Tottenham Baps have started well with 1/54 (Watson 20 n.o., Simmons 28 n.o.) in the chase after St. Andrew's (F'scray) 131 (B. Clark 39, Allen 32, Quayle 19, Watson 3/26, Simmons 3/54). The finish could be interesting.

JUNIOR SOUTH SEMI-FINALS
St. Eanswythe's Juniors are set for an impressive victory over North Williamstown.

The Saints bowlers humbled the North Williamstown batsmen to dismiss them for only 51. Only the opening bowlers — Geoff Stephenson and Steve Chatfield — were needed to dismiss the nine available batsmen.

With Brian Garde injured, John Morton and Steve Chatfield opened the innings and took the score to 27 before Chatfield was caught off the bowling of Williams.

Neil Courtot and Morton then took the score to 52 before the close of play.

North Williamstown—1st innings:

WILLIAMS, b. Chatfield	9
HAYES, b. Stephenson	4
MATTISON, b. Stephenson	0
CASSELL, b. Chatfield	16
HUTCHINSON, b. Stephenson	5
THATCHER, b. Stephenson	3
DREWITT, c. b. Stephenson	3
POLLARD, not out	1
GROEN, c. b. Stephenson	3
ROBSON, absent	0
COFFEY, absent	0
Sundries (1b, 1lb, 7nb)	9

TOTAL: 51

BOWLING: G. Stephenson 5/17, S. Chatfield 3/25.

St. Eanswythe's—1st innings:

MORTON, not out	23
CHATFIELD, c. b. Williams	14
COURTOT, not out	10
Sundries (4b, 1lb)	5

TOTAL: 1 wicket for 52

BOWLING: A. Williams 1/14, P. Cassell 0/2, P. Hutchinson 0/14, G. Hayes 0/17.

Electra-st. Meths look unbeatable at 5/211 (Fenton 61, Byers 42, Outen 39, Stewart 22 n.o., Walker 22 n.o.) in their match against Christ Church Newport.

LIFE SAVING TEAMS IN STATE TITLES

All three reel and line teams from the Altona Life Saving Club have now qualified for the Victorian Championships.

The teams are senior men's, senior women's and junior boys'.

This makes a total of five teams qualifying for the championships, including junior women's, cylinder buoy rescue and senior men's alarm belt. This is a record for the Altona Life Saving Club; in previous years the most teams to qualify were two.

The championships will be held next weekend at Carrum Beach.

Once again readers are reminded that learn to swim classes are conducted by the Life Saving Club every Saturday at 2 p.m. So far this season, approximately 110 children have been taught to swim and received certificates for swimming distances from 25 to 100 yards.

Last weekend eight more children earned their 100 yards awards.

These members can then go on in the Life Saving Club for further training and can receive awards, such as intermediate star, bronze medallion, etc. The club's future is in the hands of these members and so all encouragement is given to them.

CENTRAL ALTONA STARTS TRAINING

Mr. J. Robinson has been elected president of the Central Altona Football Club. At the club's annual meeting also elected were—

VICE-PRESIDENTS: M. Sayers and B. Jackson; SECRETARY: J. Stephen; ASSIST. SECRETARY: C. Ferrari; TREAS.: L. N. Marr; COMMITTEE: G. Dawson, W. Stephen, M. Kizan, R. Smutney, W. Thompson.

Mr. B. Jackson, senior coach for 1968, stressed high hopes of a good season both on and off the field for the coming season. Training has commenced at Langshaws Reserve and all old and new players will be welcomed at training.

BUFFALO AND COUCH GRASS LAWNS

Buffalo grass does not seed in sufficient quantities to become available commercially, and a buffalo grass lawn must always be propagated from the roots. This is also a good method for making a couch grass lawn.

To make either a buffalo grass or couch grass lawn from the roots, careful preparation of the ground is equally as necessary as with English lawns. In hot, dry districts couch grass, and in sandy soil buffalo grass, is preferable to the English grasses as they will not only stand more wear and tear, but are not so liable to die out during hot weather.

The method of planting the roots is simple: Set the roots in the soil about 9in. by 6in. apart. A good plan is to lay down a 6in. board, starting the planting one end, using the board to walk on, also as a guide to having a straight line.

October to late December is the best time to do your planting as the grasses grow quickly, during the hot weather and a well covered lawn can be obtained within three to four months.

To keep down possible weeds and fill in the vacant spaces, a sowing of rye grass may be made while the buffalo grass is growing.

When the runners have fairly covered the ground, about January, a light top dressing is advisable, as there is always a depression between the rows. Secure some light sandy loam for this purpose, spreading and working in with the back of a rake.

Couch grass makes an excellent summer lawn for dry, hot conditions, but does not retain its green during the winter, turning straw-coloured with the autumn frosts.

START OF L. C. NOORDENNE CUP

Saturday and Sunday, March 2 and 3, will see the first round of the L. C. Noordenne Cup being played at Kim Reserve, Altona.

This is the third year this trophy, donated by local businessman Mr. L. C. Noordenne, has been played for.

Sunshine City has won it on the two previous occasions.

Many teams applied to play in this competition. The eight selected were Albion Rovers, Newport, Essendon, Park Rangers, Prahran, Sunshine City, Green Gully Ajax and Altona.

On Saturday at 1 p.m. Newport meet Green Gully, and at 3 p.m. Sunshine play Essendon.

At 1 p.m. on Sunday Albion Rovers play Park Rangers and Altona meets Prahran at 3 p.m.

A large crowd is expected and there are adequate parking facilities and also refreshments and snacks will be on sale.

Metropolitan soccer is on the improve. Sunshine City proved this last season by defeating two State League teams in the Victorian Cup.

Come along and give it your support.

RESERVE XI COACH

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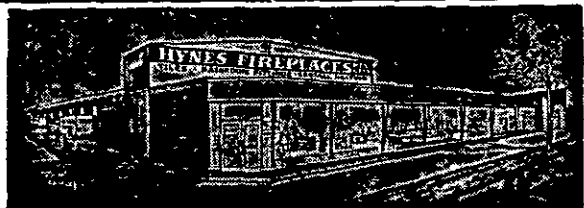
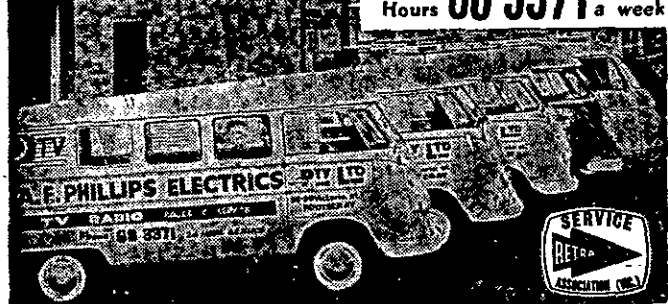
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Gardens and Minimum Water Use

During a drought it is obvious that
the absolute minimum quantity of water
will be available for a garden and not
enough to meet normal requirements.

There are certain methods suggested for securing the best
results with the minimum water available and they are as follows:

1.—It is recommended that
trees and expensive shrubs that
form the main framework of a
garden are given preferential
watering treatment in a drought.

2.—Lawns will generally re-
cover after quite long dry
periods and limited water can
be wasted endeavouring to keep
them alive. Deep rooting couch
lawns and buffalo grass are more
drought resistant and tolerant
of water with dissolved salts
than English lawns.

3.—Annuals and vegetables are
readily replaced each year and
are best left unwatered when
only limited supplies are avail-
able as they are generally not
resistant to dry conditions with
their shallow root systems.

4.—Most native Australian
trees and shrubs are more re-
sistant to dry conditions and
with limited water available this
should be concentrated on valu-
able plants from wetter regions
such as Rhododendrons, Azaleas,
etc. Shrubs and trees such as
Eucalypts, Acacia, Waxflower,
Broome, Oleanders, Bottle Brush,
are fairly drought resistant and
require only occasional water-
ing to be kept alive.

For low drought tolerance
species however, regular appli-
cation of water is necessary and
a gallon of water per 10 square
feet of foliage per day may be
required for drought sensitive
varieties.

5.—Broadleaved plants such as
Hydrangeas, etc., wilt easily and
are replaceable growing fairly
quickly under normal conditions.
They are difficult to keep alive
however, under drought condi-
tions. Cutting them back heavily
will reduce their water demand.

6.—Lightly sprinkling the soil
with water is harmful to the
roots of plants as the roots tend
to remain in the top soil and
this soon dries out and for this
reason a method of watering
where the water penetrates the
soil at least several inches is
important.

7.—The most useful place to
apply water is to the roots of
plants.

For small shrubs, plants, etc.,
if plastic or glass bottles are
filled with water or waste water
and these inserted in the ground
upside down in a pre-formed
hole made with a broomstick
or similar object, the water will
slowly seep out from the bottle
and find its way to the root
system of the plant beneath the
ground. If the soil is heavy
(clay soils) a little sand at the
bottom of the hole gives a
chance for the water to get out
more easily. Trial and error de-
termines the best way to apply
water in this manner.

8.—Mulch as much of the gar-
den as possible. Plants can with-
stand much more heat on the
leaves when their roots are cool
and moist. Mulches have the
effect of shading the soil, re-
ducing evaporation and keeping
the soil cool. However, mulches
must be put on before the soil
has dried out. Straw, hay, lawn
clippings, leaf mould, compost,
tan bark, sawdust, buzzer chips,
seaweed, animal manure are all
suitable if three to four inches
of material is used. News-
papers, polythene film, treated
paper, cement bags, sacking,
pebbles or gravel can also be
used to advantage.

Contact non-soil sterilising
weed killers are available from
garden supply shops and can
be applied to weeds around
shrubs, etc., by sprinkle bars
fitted to watering cans. The
weeds die and form an effective
mulch.

9.—Cultivation should be kept
to a minimum, for loose soils
dry out much faster than firm
soil. Weeds however, must be
checked as they will compete
with plant roots for soil mois-
ture. Mulching helps suppress
weed growth. When weeds are
a problem they are easiest to
control while small by shallow
surface cultivation.

10.—Some soils retain mois-
ture better than others. Clay
and loam soils hold more water

than sandy soils. Soils rich in
organic matter also hold more
water. Light soils, therefore,
need more frequent watering
than clay soils while organic
matter improves water holding
capacity of all soils.

11.—Water is best applied
directly to the soil and only
of the root zone will vary ac-
cording to the habit of the plant.
Azaleas, Rhododendrons and
lemons have shallow root systems
while most native trees and
pears have deep root systems.
The shallow rooted plants will
require more frequent watering

12.—Frequencies of watering
than the deeper rooted plants.
enough need be used to wet the
plant's root zone. The depth
will depend on weather condi-
tions, type of soil and the variety
of plant. All plants however use
much more water on hot windy
days.

13.—The tipping of water from
buckets directly on the surface
does not allow much penetration
and it is better to pour it into
holes made with a crowbar to
ensure penetration than apply it
over the surface. A more per-
manent method is to use vertical
agricultural pipes, cans with
holes in the bottom or flower
pots sunk into the ground and
pour water directly into these
periodically.

14.—For valuable trees, if a
small trench some 6in. to 9in.
deep is dug in a circle around
the base some 3ft. to 6ft. out
(depending on the tree size),
this will prove more effective
than surface applications of
water as it allows a much bet-
ter chance for the water to per-
colate into the ground and not
be largely lost by evaporation.

15.—The best time to apply
water is at dusk as during per-
iods of darkness evaporation
losses are greatly reduced be-
cause of the much lower ground
temperatures normal at night.

16.—It is better to apply a
good quantity of water every
week than to endeavour to supply
a little water every day and by
injecting water into the root
system this improves the plant's
ability to compete for water.

17.—As trees and shrubs trans-
pire considerable quantities of
water through their leaves many
varieties such as citrus, pears,
apples, eucalypts, etc., can be
heavily cut back, use less water
and be given a better chance of
survival.

18.—Plants tend to adapt
themselves to drought conditions
and with minimum watering are
more likely to survive than
plants that have been stimulated
to vigorous and active growth.

19.—If paving stones, paved
areas, concrete drives, paths,
patios, etc., are contemplated
for a home then a drought is a
good time to put them in as
they mean less area to be
attended to and can usefully in-
crease rainfall runoff to adjacent
areas.

20.—Mulching of garden areas
or lightly scarifying the surface
after considerable rain is valu-
able to reduce subsequent evap-
oration but is of no value if
the ground is already very dry.

21.—Large trees have generally
deep root systems and in many
areas tap groundwater at depth.
They are therefore often less
affected during drought condi-
tions than young trees and valu-
able shrubs that have shallow
root systems.

Student Guests at Rotarian Luncheon

The principal of Altona High
School, Mr. G. L. Shee, and
seven fifth form students were
guests of the Altona Rotary Club
at luncheon on Tuesday of this
week.

Opportunities were afforded
for each boy to sit beside men
who had made careers in the
fields of electronics, agriculture,
aviation, chemistry and archi-
tecture, the professions which the
boys had chosen and about
which they wanted to learn
more.

Altona High School is but one
of the schools in the district
which has been helped in a
practical way in the past by the
Rotary Club and Mr. Shee wishes
to offer through the "Altona
Star" his and the boys thanks
to the Rotarians for this hospi-
tality and sound advice.

APC Scholarship to Norman Kaye

Norman Kaye, a student at Al-
tona High School, was presented
with a scholarship valued at
\$80 by Mr. Duncan Phillips, em-
ployee relations manager of Al-
tona Petrochemical Company last
Monday.

Mr. Phillips reminded the stu-
dents of industries independence
on well trained professional men
and women and expressed the
hope that some of the pupils
would eventually serve the com-
panies in Altona.

Norman's academic record,
said Mr. Phillips, was, over the
years, most commendable.

Nauruan Bar-B-Q



Leading Aircraftman M. J. HICKEY, of Altona, a trumpeter with the RAAF Central Band, sampled the cooking during a break in the musical festival on Independence night. The RAAF Central Band flew from Laverton to Nauru in a Hercules transport aircraft. The director of music, Squadron Leader L. H. HICKS, composed the music for a song, "Song of Nauru," which the band played during the festival. The song proved so popular with the Nauruans that at a special council meeting it was adopted as their National Anthem.

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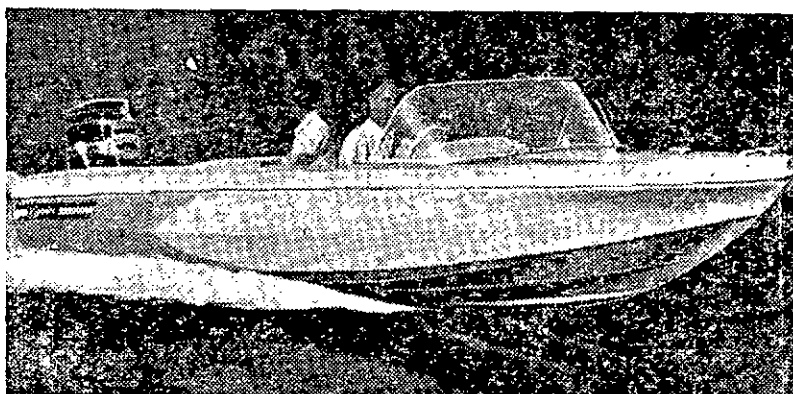
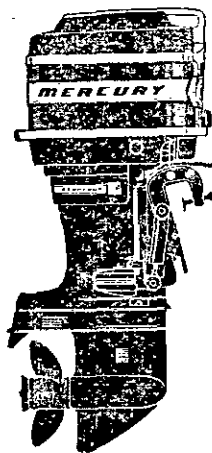
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Beatles' Record Reviewed

If you were knocked out by the Beatles' last LP, "Sergeant Peppers," you will wear your record player out playing side one of their latest LP called "Magical Mystery Tour." With each record they make the Beatles continue to advance further and further still, ahead of all other pop groups.

However, if you were disgusted with "Sergeant Peppers" you will probably feel the same way about the new record because the music has moved beyond your comprehension completely.

The Beatles are continually experimenting and at the moment they have me wondering what will happen to the pop scene if they retire.

One thing is for sure—pop groups will not find it too easy to play some of the numbers from "Magical Mystery Tour."

The Beatles are successful in their use of brass (supplied by an orchestra), recorders, accordion, piano, organ, harmony and orchestral backing.

I am only reviewing side one of the record because side two comprises the old numbers—"Penny Lane," "Strawberry Fields Forever" and "Love"

Last week I told you quite a bit about the cover design of the record and this week here

is a summary of side one—
1.—Magical Mystery Tour—Fast, gutsy number incorporating the sound of cars speeding along a highway. Brass and piano are used effectively.

2.—Fool on a Hill—Slower than the first number. Extensive use of recorders and accordion goes over really well.

3.—Flying—This is a good instrumental incorporating organ, orchestral backing and harmonising voices in the background.

4.—Blue Jay Way—In my opinion the best track on the LP. This number could not be produced completely on stage. "Just brilliant" is the only way to describe it.

5.—Your Mother Should Know—Like "When I'm 64" did, this number should please parents.

6.—I am the Walrus—This number needs no introduction.

I am still not sure when this record will be released in Australia, but if you are a Beatle fan take my advice and book in to avoid disappointment because this record will be a sell-out.

Unfortunately I have only heard the record once and a Beatles' record needs listening to many times before a really concise review can be written.

★ ★ ★ ★

by
Ron
Coleman

BEACH BOY RECORDS GOOD

After hearing the Beach Boy LP's "Wild Honey" and "Smiley Smile" I am left wondering why the Monkees are the favourites with American teenagers.

Like the Beatles the Beach Boys are continually changing and developing their sound—but with a simpler technique.

The Beach Boys employ their harmonious voices to the full degree and despite the fact that they are better musicians than the Monkees they prefer to keep instruments out as much as possible.

They seem to prefer the simplicity of blowing a bottle or munching celery as against the somewhat complicated recording techniques adopted by the Beatles. I have the same criticism for both LP's recorded by the Beach Boys.

Although all numbers are good each LP has too much of the same kind of number. "Smiley Smile" is primarily a vocal record comprising slow, soft, sweet harmonies, while "Wild Honey" is a fast, groovy record with more use made of instruments. Consequently if you are a fan of the Beach Boys you will really enjoy both records, but if you don't dig them then the records could become monotonous—in fact, rather boring.

"Smiley Smile" (recorded on the Beach Boys' own label, Brother Records) is best described as a platter to really lay back and listen carefully to before passing judgment.

Summing up I feel that the Beach Boys have found a new sound which they tend to wear out on both records. However, I would recommend the record to all fans of the Beach Boys. "SMILEY SMILE"—(Side One)
1.—Heroes and Villains—This one you have probably heard. Featuring Brian, it runs for 3½ minutes.

2.—Vegetables—Harmony in this number terrific. Features bottles being filled with water, bottle blowing, celery munching.

3.—Fall Break and Back to Winter (Woody Woodpecker Symphony)—Rather sweet little instrumental. An attempt to get away from the 12-bar blues.

4.—She's Goin' Bald—Clever, the Iguana will have trouble singing this one.

5.—Little Pad—Carl tries a new sound.

6.—Good Vibrations—Need I comment?

(Side Two)

7.—With me Tonight—Purely vocal unless you notice the faint organ music.

8.—Wind Chimes—Group harmony.

9.—Getting Hungry—Features Brian and Mike. Organ playing is good.

10.—Wonderful—Features Carl.

11.—Whistle In—Carl again.

"WILD HONEY"

1.—Wild Honey—You have probably heard this number and will agree that it deserves more air-play.

2.—I Was Made to Love Her—Not quite as good as Stevie Wonder's version.

3.—Country Air—A beautiful swinging melody.

4.—A Thing or Two—Nothing Special.

5.—Darling—No comment is needed here.

6.—I'd Have Just Once to See You—Quite good.

If you wish to learn more about the other side of "Wild Honey" you will have to buy the LP when it is released here.

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GOSSIP

Is Percy Jam more popular than Leon Kamer? The story goes that Leon Kamer of "Up-tight Fifth Hour," gave his autograph to the receptionist at the Werribee Picture Theatre last Sunday night. Later in the evening the receptionist asked Percy Griffith of The Jam for his autograph. The finished product was so good that Sue tore Leon's autograph up. Now tell us the truth Perc?

Despite rumours that you may have heard, the fortnightly Yarraville dance called "Wild Side" is not closing down. However, there has been a general tightening of security.

Lesley is more than proud of her engagement ring. Stock were moved across the highway after 7 a.m. recently. Must report to the Ranger.

Apparently Freddie Hayes was not in any hurry to buy that "cattle dawg" offered to him by "Dawg Breaker" Catchpole recently.

Werribee farrier, Allan Abbott, is still in Queensland.

Would you believe that I was mistaken for Ross D. Wylie last Saturday night.

Ray Evans (one time drummer for the Ram Jams), the "Wild Side" man, wasn't too happy with a certain Newport group last Saturday night. Neither were "Bus Stop" promoters last Sunday night.

Recent heat waves in Melbourne have killed the crowds at discos and dances and promoters and managers are praying for cooler weather. Isn't that right, Mike?

Brown-Eyed Handsome Jam will be taping for 3UZ's "Big Break" competition on Saturday.

"The Hog" still owes me \$2.50 and I wonder if Stan gave Lily that \$20.

Currently fruit picking in Mildura are John and Leigh Shannon, Noel Bianchi and Tommy "One Goal." Further away still is Danny Johnson, who is building houses in Perth.

As yet I have received no correspondence from ex-Benchman, Duncan McKellar, who left for Glasgow, Scotland, last year. Duncan had hopes for studying at the conservatorium to become a musical arranger, but I have no idea how he went.

A new addition to the ranks of newspaper columnists is the British actor Alf Garnett, who was made famous by the series "Till Death Us Do Part." Let's hope that Alf isn't as narrow minded as the character he played on television. Although the series is still being screened here production of the show has ceased due to heavy censorship of each episode. The script-writer has lost all enthusiasm.

Believe Ricky White has been spending leave from the Navy in Altona. Rick arrived back complete with a tattoo that is the envy of every young bloke who has seen it.

When is Bonga getting married? Although business isn't always the best at the "Zulu Club" every band is paid the amount of money they were booked to play for. At the moment the "Zulu" does lack a good announcer.

Favourite show of the boys up on the chair at Gilbey's is the "Mickey Mouse Club." Fortunately for them they knock off early enough to be able to see it.

On The Scene

Star of the American television series "Saints and Sinners" Nick Adams (34), died in Hollywood recently.

Nick became well-known for his role as brilliant newspaper reporter, Nick Alexander, who was confronted with many interesting stories on people from all walks of life. He was also the star of a Western series, "The Rebel."

Films he made included "Picnic," "Mr. Roberts," "No Time For Sergeants," "Young Dillinger" and "Hell is for Heroes."

Beatles John Lennon and George Harrison are currently meditating in India with the Maharishi Mahesh Yogi.

French singer Mireille Mathieu was slightly injured in a car crash near Lyons in France recently.

Frank Sinatra obviously does not like Eddie Fisher.

Glad to see that Paul Newman was nominated for an Oscar for his performance in "Cool Hand Luke." His performance was brilliant.

Latest rage in Britain is a group called the Bonza Dog Doo-Dah Band, who at one time had up to 20 members playing at once.

"ZULU CLUB" ON SUNDAY NIGHT

The "Zulu Club," Werribee's new dance, will now operate on a Sunday night instead of Saturday night.

So it looks like a battle of the dances in Werribee of a Sunday night.

Playing at the "Zulu Club" this Sunday night are Pete Watson's Rockhouse and the Cam-pact.

Admission is \$1 for boys and 50c for girls.

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WILLIAMSTOWN DANCE ON FRIDAY

Williamstown Life Savers report that they are holding a dance at the club tomorrow night (Friday, March 1), when guest group will be Brooklyn musos, The Erosions.

The dance is a fund-raising effort and admission will be 60c.

From what I have heard the dance is well organised and is quite popular with the young people from Williamstown.

Playing at the dance on March 15 will be the Brown-Eyed Handsome Jam.

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COMPETITION RESULT

Winner of a double pass to the Drive-in is Frances Callander, who named Jim McEwen and Pete Bleazby as singers of BEHJ.

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Letter

14 Graham Street, West Newport, 3015.

To the Editor of "Stars, Saints and Sinners":

Dear, dear Ron,

I love you very much, so do the Van Winkle Band, and all the fans.

Thank you very much for doing an article on them in your section of the "Star."

I doubt if they will change their name back to the original one, but, because when they were called the Van Winkle Sleepy Time Band, they were always advertised and announced as the Van Winkle Band any how. But thanks for the thought. Lots and lots of love. PRISCILLA.

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ENTERTAINMENT Dances

FRIDAY—Williamstown Life Saving Club. "The Erosions."

SATURDAY.—Tipsicery, Newport (Christ Church Hall). The groups: "Brown-Eyed Handsome Jam" and "Applebees."

SUNDAY.—Zulu Club, Werribee Picture Theatre. "Pete Watson's Rockhouse" and "Cam-pact."

SUNDAY.—Bus Stop 1, Centenary Hall, Werribee.

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Drive-in

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4.—Tin Soldier SMALL FACES.

5.—Hello, Goodbye BEATLES.

6.—Woman, Woman THE UNION GAP.

7.—She MONKEES.

8.—Sunshine RAM JAM BIG BAND.

9.—Ballad of Bonnie and Clyde GEORGIE FAME.

10.—Anthem THE PROCESSIONS.

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LAST ROUND OF TABLE TENNIS

This week ushers in round 15 of the Western Suburbs Table Tennis Association's summer competition, to be played Feb. 27 to March 1 inclusive.

This is the last round of the home and home series, and is important because of the fact that matches played this week will decide the teams to enter the final series, to commence next week.

Teams in the lower half will drop out, and only the three top teams in each of the 13 grades will contest the finals in search of that elusive honour, the premiership.

B1 Grade appears to be a toss-up between two outstanding teams in Newport (Alan Coustley, Paul Mitchell, Ben Nancarrow) and Williamstown Colts (Steve Slattery, Tom Saly, Dave Fowler). Third place lies between Footscray and Altona, and either of these teams, if at full strength, could cause an upset in the final series.

Likely finalists in other grades are as follows—

C1—Grieve Highway (G. Lewis N. Wynn, E. Milner, J. Beier), Albright & Wilson, Polonia.

C2—Grieve Highway (L. Cummings, R. Cook, D. Gourchier, R. McCullagh), Ampol, Footscray Youth Club or Maidstone.

E3—Altona Youth Club (M. Baldwin, J. Duncan, B. Duncan), Reckitt & Coleman, Footscray Youth Club.

WINTER PENNANT, 1968

This week will see the closure of entries for what promises to be a most intriguing season—the Winter Pennant.

For this season, it is normal to see an influx of top players, both from the Western Suburbs and the Victorian Association, with a consequent re-shuffle of teams and grades. Generally the standard is higher than in the summer pennant, added to which is the fact that the annual titles are held in July, and most of the players seek to reach their peak for these important games. Further details from officials at the Table Tennis Centre, Garden-st., Williamstown (397-6863).

DARTS HOLD FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING

Last Thursday the Western Suburbs Darts Association had a very successful Fifth Annual General Meeting at the Altona RSL.

Office-bearers elected for the ensuing season are—

PATRON: K. McNeillage, Esq.; HOUSE OF DARTS: Bristol Hotel; PRESIDENT: N. Jessup; VICE-PRESIDENTS: R. Rose, J. Candlish; SECRETARY: C. Neal; ASSIST. SEC.: R. Loversidge; TREASURER: A. Atkins; ASSIST. TREAS.: E. Shipsey; VDA DELEGATES: N. Jessup, C. Neal; SOCIAL SEC.: C. Holton; PUBLICITY OFFICER: R. Rose. The number of teams nominated were very disappointing—13 all told, which are—

Bristol Hotel, Bristol Rovers, Seaholme, Goodrich, Melton Dart Club, Yarraville Citizens Club (three teams), Commercial Hotel, Plough Hotel, Pioneer Hotel, Altona Working Men's Club, Racecourse Hotel.

These teams will constitute Division 1, and any other team entering will form Division 2.

Altona Tennis Club Teams

SENIORS

Altona Tennis Club's senior teams for Saturday, March 2, are as follows—

A Reserve No. 1 v. Yarraville, at Altona—

M. Kelly, J. Kelly, R. Walker, L. Findlay, O. Kelly, S. Adcock, G. Cronin, M. Harrington.

A Reserve 1 No. 2 v. Rosamond away—

C. Turner, I. Harrington, B. Mellington, D. Campbell, P. Trickey, J. Burke, B. Angus, T. Smith.

A Reserve 3 have a walkover from Power-st.

B2 v. Rosamond No. 2, away—

J. Trickey, D. White, K. Walsh, R. Snowling, S. Morrow, D. Stephenson, J. Walker, B. Walker.

Players unavailable please notify the emergency and Mrs. Harrington.

JUNIORS

Boys' Section (1) v. Sunshine VRI, at Altona—

J. Trickey, R. Snowling, G. Wood and C. Sutton. (Emergency): E. Valente.

Girls' Section (1) v. Liston-Esplanade (away)—

J. Walker, B. Walker, B. Sandilands and S. Keown. (L. Smith.)

Boys' Section (3) v. Sunshine VRI, at Altona—

E. Valente, R. Groves, J. Rosenboom and A. Findlay. (G. Crofts.)

Girls' Section (3) No. 1 v. Kingsville, away—

L. Smith, J. Critchley, R. Webb and H. Shields. (D. Crofts.)

Girls' Section (3) No. 2 v. Diggers, away—

D. Crofts, Y. Robertson, L. Hyde and J. Wise. (J. Young.)

Players unavailable please notify the emergency and also Mr. G. Russell, 65-8661.

It is anticipated that the following clubs who were not at the meeting will be entering a team—

ICI Recreational Club, Deer Park Hotel, Exchange Hotel, Bridge Hotel and Werribee Hotel.

MELBOURNE CUP

Members of the representative team who are to play Mountain League in the first round of the Melbourne Cup are advised that this match will now be played at the Sportsmen's Club, first floor, Champion House, 57 Swanton-st., Melbourne, next Wednesday night, March 6, at 8 p.m.

The team is to be at the venue by 7:30 p.m.

The selected team is—R. Bailey (capt.), A. Easdon, M. Ellis, K. Kennedy, T. Rogers (Seaholme), C. Holton, C. Neale (Goodrich), D. Stirk, B. Eckstein, E. Healy (Bristol), R. Barker (Commercial), K. Baker (Bristol Rovers).

1968 STATE FOURS TITLES

The team selected to represent the Association in the State Fours Championships to be played at Mildura during the Labour Day Week, March 9-11, is—

R. Bailey (capt.), A. Easdon, M. Ellis, T. Rogers (Seaholme), C. Holton, C. Neale (Bristol Rovers).

DELEGATES MEETING

Next Tuesday night, March 5, the monthly delegates meeting will be held at the Homestead, Queen-st., Altona, commencing at 8 p.m. sharp at which all clubs are to be represented.

Clubs intending to enter a team in Division 2 are to be represented at this meeting.

Altona Bowling Club Notes

TWO WINS TO BOWLERS

Altona Bowling Club had two wins and two losses last Saturday. The top team won and held its clear lead in its section, B4. The full results are as follows—

No. 1 Team d. Moreland No. 2, 126-88—

McNeillage, Nielsen, R. Don and Mather, 28-22; Whitmore, Watters, T. Douglas and Malloy, 37-16; D. Nettleton, O'Donnell, S. Canton and Fisher, 29-29; Stephens, Mitchell, L. Cox and Russell, 32-21.

No. 2 Team d. Ormond Park No. 2, 117-102—

Craig, Neal, Condon and Watson, 38-22; Buckley, Williams, Hill and Burke, 28-30; Crofts, R. Douglas, Paul and McDonald, 20-31; McKellar, H. Harris, Richardson and Flynn, 31-19.

No. 3 Team lost to Northcote No. 5, 72-119—

R. Allen, W. Harrison, Martin and F. Douglas, 17-36; Thorneycroft, Franks, Abberton and Inglis, 17-28; Kelley, Pugsley, Turner and Oliver, 18-27; Shillington, J. Cox, B. Harrison and Andress, 20-28.

No. 4 Team lost to Keilor No. 1, 67-106—

R. Sevier, Smith, D. Nicholls and Carr, 14-22; Boorer, Cartwright, D. Brett and Pilcher, 23-25; Clark, Sutton, C. Griffiths and Roach, 18-28; Hyde, Swift, W. Grant and Jemmeson, 12-31. Pennant matches for March 2 are—

No. 1 Team are at home to Footscray City (4); No. 2 are away to Hawthorn (2); No. 3 are at home to Newport (4); No. 4 Team are away to Sunshine VRI (1).

ST. MARY'S LITTLE ATHLETICS

Six wins in above century heat was a good effort for the young St. Mary's children in Little Athletics last Saturday.

The children are mostly in the 7-10 age group.

A tremendous run by young Graham Sullivan in the 400 metres event. This lad also put up a tremendous performance again on Sunday at a special meeting with the Sunshine and Coburg Centres at Newport.

Graham again won magnificently. Congratulations Graham. All St. Mary's representatives at this special Centre meeting put up performances worth commendation.

Williamstown Centre was the winner on the day and the children were presented with a large cup with the compliments of the VEB. On the whole it was a very successful day.

Saturday's winners were—BOYS' 100m.: G. Sullivan and J. Broadby.

BOYS' 400m.: M. Garrick, G. Sullivan and R. Penfold.

SEAHOLME SCHOOL SPORTS

Last Friday in cricket matches Seaholme 4/78 d. Laverton 6/61. Top scorer and best bowler was T. Paone, who hit 44 runs and took 5/23.

The Seaholme Cricket Seconds scored 8/47, defeating Laverton 8/45. Top scorer was D. Pratt (10 runs), and top bowler S. Parkin (4/25).

At softball Seaholme 19, d. Laverton 12, but in the Seconds Laverton 20, d. Seaholme 4.

3rd Altona Scouts and Cubs News

The annual general committee meeting for the election of office-bearers for the 3rd Altona Scouts will be held at the Altona East Library, 7 The Circle, at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, March 6.

All interested are welcome to attend.

Although the weather was rather warm last Saturday night a number of members, associates and friends had a very pleasant social evening in the clubhouse. Mr. T. Burke welcomed everyone to the club with a special welcome for guests, and congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. E. Roach on attaining their thirty-eighth wedding anniversary.

CLUB NEWS

Only 19 attended the quarterly general meeting due last Monday night of the Altona Ladies Bowling Club.

This was disappointing to the president and secretary as there was not a quorum and the meeting was cancelled.

Last Saturday night and Dora Hill proved to be a very good MC.

Gifts are still required for Gala Day. The next inter-club day is on Thursday, March 7.

Last Thursday the social bowls was won by Tom Sutton, Mavis Andress, Phil Kelly and Alice Newton (skipper).

Now that pennant bowls has finished, please support the social bowls.

The Ladies No. 3 Pennant team thank supporters who went to see them play in the first round of the finals, which, unfortunately, they lost. Special thanks to president Tom Burke and secretary Mr. Bill Walsh and the men's supporters who also went along.

Mr. Tom Burke has announced his President's Day will be held on Sunday, March 17.

WESTONA LITTLE ATHLETICS

In very hot conditions the Westona Club still produced nine winners at Williamstown Centre meeting last Saturday. Winners for the day were:

Girls Under 11, 50 m.—G. Rohleder.

Boys Under 9, 100 m.—M. Barrie.

Boys' Under 9, 400 m.—G. Rohleder.

Boys Under 10, 100 m.—I. Vanangelrooy, P. Totney, J. Barrie.

Boys Under 10, 200 m.—B. Dodd, I. Vanangelrooy, P. Totney.

On Sunday a team selected from the Williamstown Centre competed in a triangular match against Sunshine and Coburg, with the Williamstown Centre coming out on top.

In this meeting the Westona Club had the fine performance of producing 6 of the Williamstown winners.

These competitors to be successful were:

Girls Under 11, 200 m.—G. Rohleder.

Girls Under 10, High Jump—G. Wishart.

Boys Under 10, 100 m.—B. Dodd.

Boys Under 10, 200 m.—B. Dodd.

Boys Under 9, 800 m.—G. Rohleder.

Boys Under 9, Triple Jump—G. Rohleder.

On Sunday next commencing at 1.30 p.m. on the Ford Reserve, Linwood Avenue, the Westona Club will conduct its Club Championship for the 1967/68 season.

As this is the first meeting of this kind to be conducted by the club it is hoped a good roll-up of parents and spectators are in attendance to support the competitors. This will be a fine afternoon's entertainment so come along and see some budding champions. It is hoped to have two of Victoria's top sporting personalities at the ground to present the trophies.



ALTONA WORKING MEN'S CLUB

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, March 2:

Club Dance

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Monday, March 4:

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STATEMENT ON PROJECT—OUTDOOR BOWLING GREEN.

Saturday, March 9:

LUCKY TABLE DANCE

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Friday, March 15:

EUCHRE EVENING

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FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.

OUTDOOR BOWLING GREEN

Club members are advised that a considerable amount of ground work has been covered into providing this additional facility to the club.

What is necessary to progress further is the taking out of necessary shares in the Altona Club Co-operative Society.

Many members have indicated that they are prepared to take out shares, but we still require a certain number more.

This not only pertains to members who are going to take part in the club outdoor bowls—but all members of the club who wish to see the club develop.

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Six Foot Fall Leads to Fine

Two falls by a woman into a six feet deep street excavation on a Saturday afternoon resulted in both the woman and her husband being charged with being drunk and disorderly and using insulting words.

The drunk and disorderly charges were dismissed in Williamstown Court last week, but other charges were upheld.

Sylvia Victoria Thompson, of Arras-st., Spotswood, was charged with using insulting words and with being drunk and disorderly in a public place. She pleaded not guilty.

Charged with her was her husband, James Henry Thompson, same address.

He pleaded not guilty to using insulting words, using indecent language in a public place and with being drunk and disorderly.

First Const. J. Brennan, of Newport, told Mr. R. King and Mr. F. Lovegrove, JP's, sitting on the Bench, that on Saturday, February 17, he was in the Newport Police car travelling along Hudson-rd.

He explained to the court that road works are in progress along Melbourne-rd. and barriers were installed at the intersection of Hudson-rd.

Brennan said that as he drove through he heard a voice calling out, "Hey you, hey you. Who are the — contractors here?"

Brennan said he got out of the car and told the man calling out (Thompson) to see the Williamstown City Council.

Noticing a woman (Mrs. Thompson) with blood on her legs sitting on a child's tricycle, Brennan said he asked her if she was all right.

Mrs. Thompson mumbled something unintelligible and Thompson, after calling out an indecent expression, said his wife had fallen down a six foot hole in the road.

Brennan said he warned Thompson there was no need for bad language and that he would see if he could get someone to fix up the barriers.

Returning to the police car Brennan said he was making inquiries over the phone when Thompson used another expression in a loud voice. Having already warned Thompson twice about language Brennan then placed him under arrest.

He said he caught hold of Thompson's arm, but was forced to let him go when he noticed Mrs. Thompson was again in the six foot excavation. Before he could assist her a bystander had helped her out.

Brennan said he was putting Thompson into the police car, Mrs. Thompson came up and abused him and told him to leave her husband alone.

He then arrested Mrs. Thompson as well and both were taken to the Williamstown Police Station.

The couple's young grandson, who was with them, was also taken in the car to the station. Mrs. Thompson refused to reveal the child's address so he was taken to a church presbytery where he was kept until his parents picked him up.

In court Thompson asked Brennan: "Could a drunken man climb into a hole six feet deep, lift out his wife and collect all her belongings?"

Brennan replied: "It would be a pretty good effort."

Thompson gave evidence on oath that at about 11 a.m. he and his wife went to their daughter's where five of them consumed six bottles of beer.

He said, with their grandson, they left there about 2-10 p.m. and were arrested at 2-50 p.m. Thompson told the court he considered the road to be very dangerous as the barriers were not all in position.

He said his wife was pushing the tricycle when she fell into the hole and the tricycle fell in on top of her.

He said he got down and picked her up, but he absolutely denied using any bad language. Mrs. Thompson also gave similar evidence as her husband.

Their daughter appeared in court and said that her parents were not drunk, in fact she would not have allowed her son to go with them if they had been.

Mr. King and Mr. Lovegrove announced that in both cases as there was a doubt the charges of being drunk and disorderly would be dismissed, but they found the defendants guilty on the other charges.

Thompson admitted previous assault, occasioning previous convictions, including one for bodily harm, and was fined \$20 in default 10 days imprisonment for using insulting words. He was also fined \$40 in default 20 days for using indecent language.

Mrs. Thompson was fined \$10 in default five days for using insulting words.

Thompson then lodged an appeal and bail was granted of \$40 with a similar surety.

FAILED TO GIVE WAY TO THE RIGHT

James Alexander Gallagher of McBain Street, Altona, was charged and found guilty at Williamstown Court of failing to give way to the vehicle on his right on September 24 last year. He pleaded not guilty.

Peter Msinko of North Sunshine told the Court that at 5 p.m. on September 24 he stopped at the flashing red light in Pier Street at the corner of Blyth Street, changed to first gear and looked in both directions.

He could see no other traffic and was moving off when a passenger in his car called out. He looked to his left and saw a flash of white coming down the road. Msinko tried to accelerate but the white car hit him.

Gallagher gave evidence on oath that he had stopped at the intersection and could see nothing coming. As he was crossing the road a Valiant came along fast and they collided.

In reply to a question by the Police Prosecutor, Gallagher said he would have just entered the intersection when he saw the car on his right, it was then about 2 or 3 feet away. He estimated it was travelling at about 35 m.p.h. Gallagher admitted 3 prior convictions for traffic offences and was fined \$20 with \$8.30 costs.

Blind Free of Means Test Pension

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Altona people are invited to help the blind by reading text books to blind braille transcribers. They will thus share in assisting blind secondary and university students.

This year, the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind is sponsoring or assisting nine blind students doing University courses and an additional nine blind students doing other secondary and higher education. Many of these students have already achieved excellent academic results.

One, in fact, Cathryn McKenzie was dux of Camberwell Church of England Girls' Grammar School last year and she also won a General Exhibition at Matriculation level. This year she has been accepted at Monash University for a combined Law/Arts course.

There is an urgent need to transcribe text books, etc., into braille for many of these students and to do so, it is necessary to find voluntary readers to read the books to blind braille transcribers so that these text books can be in the hands of all students as early as possible.

The Institute would appreciate hearing from any person who would be available to read for this purpose either between 9.00 a.m. to 12 noon or 1.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. on any week day. This assistance is required for approximately two months only and a roster for readers would be arranged so that they would be required to read for only one session per week. However, should a reader wish to devote any additional time this may be helpful if insufficient people volunteer to assist with this very worthwhile service.

Anyone wishing to help should telephone Mrs. Wendy Hull at the Institute, tele.: 51-1381, at any time on any week day between the hours of 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Whoever assists in this way will be sharing, in some degree, in the final outstanding academic achievements of these students.

DROVE CARELESSLY — FINED

Stanley James Walton of Brook Drive, Altona, was fined \$30 with costs of \$7 when found guilty in Williamstown Court last week of failing to give his name and address to the owner of a car damaged in an accident with his car, and also with having driven carelessly.

WALTON PLEADED NOT GUILTY

Denis Leslie Shannon of Maidstone Street, Altona, told the Court he was driving in a West-erly direction along Civic Parade last October 27. He was going to the dance in the Civic Hall and was doing 35-40 m.p.h.

When about 100 yards from the hall he put his diverge right signal on and moved into the centre of the road. A car coming from behind him hit his car.

Shannon said he pulled up and spoke to the driver, Walton, who refused to give his name and address as he said they knew each other. On calling at the Altona Police Station Shannon said nobody was in attendance. He said Walton followed him there.

Merle Martin, of Hancock St., Altona, gave evidence that she was a passenger in the front seat of Shannon's car, and did not see the other car until it hit them.

Const. Barron of Newport said after receiving a phone call he attended the accident and spoke to Walton. Walton told him Shannon's car passed his at fast speed and then stopped in front, causing him to hit it.

He did not exchange names and addresses as they knew each other.

Walton told the Court from the witness box that Shannon passed him and then slowed. The bumper of his car just hooked on to the mudguard of Shannon's car. Walton said he did not exchange names and addresses but said he would see him the next day at the garage where he worked.

The Justices of the Peace announced they found both charges proved, and fined Walton \$10 for failing to exchange names and addresses and \$20 for driving carelessly, with \$7 costs.

DID U-TURN WHEN UNSAFE

David Dillon of Morris Street, Williamstown was fined \$20 with \$5 costs at Williamstown Court last week for making a U turn when unsafe to do so in Melbourne Road, near the Blackshaws Road railway crossing.

Ian Morrison of Home Road, Newport, told the Court that when driving along Melbourne Road on June 19, 1967, he noticed the railway gates closed at Blackshaws Road.

He was driving slowly when a car suddenly made a U turn, hitting his car.

Also in court on the same day were Dimitro Rudyk of Percy Street, Newport, who was fined \$20 for failing to give right of way to the vehicle on his right at the intersection of Hudson Rd. and Hall Street, Spotswood on October 29, 1967.

Carmello Bursatol of Deer Park was fined \$40 for doing 50-55 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h. zone in Champion Road, Williamstown and \$20 for failing to give a diverge right signal.

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This year's Annual Fete at the Footscray Hospital will be held on Saturday April 6. At a meeting of the Hospital Helper's Organisation presided over by their new President, John Jillard it was decided to start the Fete off by opening the stalls at 1 p.m.

These will be provided by all the Hospital Auxiliaries which will sell almost anything including groceries, wearing apparel, books, fruit, vegs., there will also be a pie stall, to mention a few.

This year the Rheem Company will provide great entertainment for the Children, which will include Merry-Go-Round and a Carnival Train. There will be spinning Wheels and raffles, the latter includes a Falcon Car.

Elderly citizens will have the opportunity of winning some very useful electrical appliances given by A. E. Phillips. The children may also win some beautiful prizes if they come along.

Included in the day will be a pet show with a grand parade of all pets. There are some great prizes for almost every entrant.

The Teenagers will also have an interest in the frock competition, because there is a holiday for two on the Gold Coast provided by Stan Payne and Air Transport by Ansett-ANA from 2 p.m.

Afternoon tea will be available

LADIES 10-PIN BOWLING

Results of games played by the Central Hotel Ladies 10-Pin Bowling League at Footscray Bowl on February 20, are as follows—

Broberg's d. Central Hotel 3-1. HIGH GAMES: P. Griffiths (B), 169; O. Williams (CH), 159. HIGH SERIES: P. Griffiths, 439; C. Dodd (CH), 413.

Robert's Nurseries d. Grand Cinema 4-0.—HIGH GAMES: J. McHale (RN), 198; P. Bolase (GC), 152. HIGH SERIES: J. McHale, 487; P. Bolase, 374.

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M. & D. Homes d. Team Six 4-0.—HIGH GAMES: B. Cox (M&D), 151; J. Whitten (T6), 155. HIGH SERIES: B. Noone (M&D), 359; J. Whitten, 444.

Other attractions include the Hyde Street State School Band which will be there from 1.15 p.m. onwards.

The R.A.A.F. Police Dog Team will put on demonstrations from 2.30 p.m.

This year promises to be the biggest ever, and John Jillard will have his hands full — not only with the commencement of the football season the week following the Fete.

Newport Baseballers Look Forward to Improvement

Newport Baseball Club's 1967 Annual Report and Balance Sheet indicates that improvement can be expected in the new season ahead.

Over 80 attended the meeting held in the clubrooms at Newport Sports Oval last Sunday morning, despite the above century heat that prevailed.

Batting was the main let down of the club during 1967, but with the showing so far of the A Team in the summer competition this department of the game appears to be on the mend.

Pitching, always a problem, also could solved with the improvement of younger players towards the end of 1967 and the summer season.

Main item of interest in the report was the statement on the progress of the club's new ground at Park Crescent, South Williamstown.

The Park Crescent Project has not advanced as was first intended, mainly through the water shortage that has prevented any start being made on the playing surface.

The ground has been graded and fenced. It is felt that the club may have to change their plans and commence building the pavilion to a stage that monies will provide and when conditions warrant the ground can be commenced.

On the playing side the club was not very successful for the second year running.

The A Team slipped from fifth to sixth; the B Team failed to make the finals; but the C Team made amends by winning their section's grand final.

The Under-17 Team were not quite good enough; the Under-15 Team lost by one run in the grand final after losing only one game during the home and away season; the Under-13's put up a remarkable performance after giving the other sides in this grade six weeks start. This team of young fellows were not entered until well after the season commenced, but as they went on they improved out of sight. Financially the club is in a very healthy state with assets of over \$5000.

SUMMER SEASON

At present Newport has two teams entered in the current summer baseball season and

the A Team are well and truly cemented in the four, having lost four games, this team is in third place.

During the last two matches Newport beat two of the teams above them and this augurs well for the finals which commence on March 10.

The B Team could have made the finals also, but for very inconsistent play early in the season.

OFFICE-BEARERS

Office-bearers elected at the meeting for the 1968 season are as follows—

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NEW LIFE MEMBER

A meeting of Life Members of the club recently recommended that Brian Shields, a former player and now ardent worker in the club, be elected a Life Member of Newport.

This was unanimously accepted by those attending the annual meeting and congratulations to Brian on his appointment.

Brian is one of those who is always around prepared to do his share and more and not seek any praise for it. He is mainly responsible for after-the-game food and refreshments and has been an auditor of the club for many years.

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